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ISRAEL TO TELL VANCE IT PREFERS STEP-BY-STEP DIPLOMACY

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(TEXT) ISRAEL IS TO SUGGEST THE RETURN TO STEP-BY-STEP DIPLOMACY. THE REASON: BELIEF THAT THE DEMANDS FOR PLO PARTICIPATION AT THE GENEVA PEACE TALKS ARE HAMPERING THE RECONVENING OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. WITH THE STORY, ANDREW KEISELS:

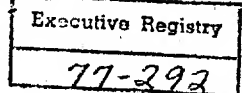
ISRAEL WILL TELL UN SECRETARY GENERAL KURT WALDHEIM WHEN HE ARRIVES HERE NEXT WEEK THAT IT WILL NOT ATTEND THE RENEWED GENEVA CONFERENCE WITH THE PLO, AND THAT IT FEELS THE WHOLE GENEVA CONCEPT HAS GOTTEN STUCK ON THIS DEMAND FOR PLO PARTICIPATION. WHEN U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS VANCE COMES HERE IN 2 WEEKS' TIME, ISRAEL WILL TELL HIM THAT IT WILL PREFER THAT THE STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS POPULARIZED BY HENRY KISSINGER. THIS ACCORDING TO A SENIOR FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL, WHO EMPHASIZED THAT THE STEP-BY-STEP CONCEPT WAS NOT INITIATED BY KISSINGER AND WOULD NOT DISAPPEAR FROM THE SCENE WITH HIM. THE OFFICIAL TOLD ME THAT LAST DECEMBER'S UN RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A RESUMPTION OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WITH PLO PARTICIPATION HAD STALLED THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND HAD MADE GENEVA LESS PRACTICABLE.

ISRAEL, HE SAID, WOULD NOT ACCEPT WHAT HE TERMED THE MAJORITY TYRANNY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND WOULD INSIST ON GOING TO GENEVA ONLY ACCORDING TO THE ORIGINAL TERMS OF UN RESOLUTION 338, WHICH HAD FOUGHT ISRAEL, AND NOT THE PLO.

WITH GENEVA THUS SEEMINGLY STUCK ISRAEL WILL ASK SECRETARY VANCE TO RENEW AMERICAN INTEREST IN PARTIAL AGREEMENTS THAT WOULD LEAD TO AN END OF THE STATE OF WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THESE AGREEMENTS WOULD BE LESS THAN PEACE, AND IN EXCHANGE FOR THEM ISRAEL WOULD GIVE UP LESS TERRITORY THAN AN EXCHANGE FOR FULL PEACE. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID THIS KIND OF GRADUALIST APPROACH SEEMS MORE LIKELY TO LEAD TO SUCCESS THAN A ONE-STAGE CONFERENCE CALLED TO SETTLE ALL THE PROBLEMS OF THE AREA AT ONCE. THE STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH ALSO AFFORDS ROOM FOR AMERICAN INITIATIVES, AND WOULD KEEP THE SOVIETS OUT OF THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS, SOMETHING THEY WOULD DEFINITELY BE IN WITHIN THE GENEVA FRAMEWORK. THIS, THE OFFICIAL STRESSED, IS ISRAEL'S CONCEPTUAL VIEW, AND IT WILL ASK VANCE TO LOOK INTO THE CHANCES FOR AN AMERICAN-INITIATED NEXT STEP IN A NEW STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS.

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January 28, 1977

Mrs. Jeanne Davis
Staff Secretary
National Security Council
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20506


Dear Jeanne:

To confirm your conversation of yesterday, it will avoid some confusion here if all transmittals of information by phone or note concerning NSC scheduling are directed to my office. Also, advice from your staff that a "paper is coming" or you have something there that requires immediate pickup should be conveyed to us.

I have passed the word here to Bob Kentis (O/DDI) and others on these arrangements and asked the IC, NIO, DDI, and other staffs who may have calendar, attendance, or administrative inquiries to consult my office first. If we don't have the answer, we will contact you.

Our "normal" working day is from 0745 to 1800 and often later. Someone is always here on Saturday morning; and during the remainder of the weekend or on holidays, your office knows how to convey information and materials to our Operations Center for appropriate action.

Sincerely,


B. C. Evans
Executive Secretary

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